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HOW THEY DO IN TEXAS.

Lily White Republicans Meet to Elect Delegates.

NEGROES TO BE BARRED OUT.

The Race Question Is the Paramount One and Will Be Seriously Considered—Delegates Will Not Be Instructed

HOUSTON, April 20.—The white Republicans of Texas met here in state convention to elect four delegates-at-large to the national convention at St. Louis and to arrange plans for the future of the party from negro domination. There are about 800 delegates in attendance from all parts of the state, among them half a dozen negroes who are identified with the reform movement.

The delegates at large will be four of the most prominent Republicans in the state and a hard contest will be made for seats at St. Louis for a full delegation of 30 votes from Texas. Two of the delegates will be Congressmen now in office from San Antonio and El Paso—Gregor of Houston.

The executive committee held a meeting and decided on Lock McDaniel for temporary chairman and A. B. Norton and W. S. Evans as temporary secretaries. This is the first convention of "Lily Whites" at which delegates have been regularly elected.

The vote has increased materially since the first nomination, and the delegates are sanguine of making a good showing. No instructions will be given delegates and they will be left free to act as they see fit at St. Louis.

CHANCE FOR ARTISTS

Andrew Carnegie Will Pay \$5,000 For Best American Work.

PITTSBURGH, April 20.—Andrew Carnegie has authorized the trustees of Carnegie art gallery to offer \$5,000 for the best two oil paintings by American artists. Acting under this authorization, the board of trustees of the Carnegie fine arts and museum collection has officially announced.

First—A prize of \$5,000 will be given for the best painting in oil produced in the year 1895 by an American artist, wherever resident, and first shown in the Carnegie art galleries of Pittsburgh, at an exhibition to be held for two weeks, beginning Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896, the successful work to become the property of the board of trustees of the Carnegie fine arts and museum collection fund and to be hung permanently on the walls of the Carnegie art galleries of Pittsburgh. The above offer is conditioned on the exhibition of a work to be judged as of highest artistic merit by a jury of experts representing the best American art of the year.

Second—A prize of \$5,000 will be given for the painting in oil to be judged next in artistic value subject to the conditions enumerated above.

Garment Workers Starving.

Mrs. O'Sullivan of Boston Makes a Sensational Statement

CHICAGO, April 20.—Chicago labor organizations were taken to task at the meeting of the trades and labor union by Mrs. Mary O'Sullivan of Boston for their lack of interest in the strike of the garment workers. Mrs. O'Sullivan made the sensational statement that of the 20,000 tailors who struck for an increase of 20 per cent in wages, 9,000 are on the verge of starvation. Mrs. O'Sullivan said she knew this from her four days among the tailors investigating their condition.

Going to Be a Wedding

NICE, France, April 20.—The dowager Empress Frederick of Germany has arrived here for a visit to Queen Victoria, her mother. The dowager Empress of Russia, the Duke of Saxa-Coburg and Gotha and the Emperor and Empress of Germany arrived to be present at the wedding of the hereditary Prince Ernest of Hohenzollern-Tanenburg and Princess Alexandra, the third daughter of the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha (the Duke of Edinburgh) and granddaughter of Queen Victoria.

THE WEEK IN CONGRESS

Rumor That There Is a Disposition to Prolong the Session.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The proceedings in the senate probably will open with a contest for right of way between the appropriations committee and the friends of the Peffer resolution for an investigation of the recent bond sales, and upon the result of this will depend largely the line of procedure for the remainder of the week. Senator Pettigrew, who is in charge of the Indian appropriation bill, which has been only partially considered, will make an effort to get the bill up immediately after disposal of the routine business of the morning hour, and, if objection is made, will ask that the senate decide by vote whether to proceed with the Indian bill.

He says that the bill already has been held back a week for the accommodation of other measures and he will not consent to further postponement except upon the order of the senate itself. Other members of the committee are disposed to take this position and to urge that nothing shall stand in the way of the appropriation bills for the present. Senator Peffer is anxious not to antagonize the appropriation bills, but he thinks that the debate on the bond resolution could be concluded in another day or two.

There are at least two or three days more of work on the Indian appropriation bill. The question of the addition

SUSPENDED OPERATION

Peculiar Predicament of a Steel Company.

THEY ARE OUT OF MONEY.

They Have Approved Bills From the Government For Projectiles Delivered, but Could Not Turn Them Into Cash.

PITTSBURGH, April 20.—The Sterling Steel company of McKeesport, manufacturers of the Wheeler Sterling armor piercing projectiles, is in peculiar financial difficulties. For several months past they have been working on a large order of projectiles for the United States government which has cost them hundreds of thousands of dollars, for which they have received no money in return. They have consequently been compelled to pass their regular pay day and suspend operations. The credit of the company is first class, however, and it is expected the plant will resume in a few days.

An official of the company says:

"The government appropriation intended to pay us has been used for another purpose. We expected to get half of the appropriation and the Carpenter Projectile company the other half, but a bill for one of the big steel companies was put through which practically wiped it out. The new appropriation will not be available until congress adjourns."

"We have delivered to the government over \$2,000,000 worth of projectiles, for which we have approved bills, but could not distribute them so as to realize any money on them."

EXAMINING ACCOUNTS

Large Transactions Have No Place in the Reports.

BALTIMORE, April 20.—The Baltimore committee on the reorganization of the Baltimore and Ohio railway has decided to employ an expert to make a thorough examination of the accounts of the company from 1888 up to the present time. In a statement issued by them it is asserted that during that period there was an unwarranted increase in the floating debt to the amount of more than \$12,000,000 and that many valuable securities belonging to the company were sold without these transactions finding a place in the published reports of the operations of the company.

What Fagan Hol was

MARTIN, O., April 20.—Colonel Robert G. Ingerson says he thinks Mr. Fagan Hol was nominated speaking of the fight of the A. P. A. he said: "That A. P. A. movement against Mr. Fagan Hol is a curious thing. I don't believe in putting in the dark and fear no church. Mr. Fagan Hol need lose no sleep because of the A. P. A. movement."

The Beer Was Spilled

PORTSMOUTH, O., April 20.—John Fitzgerald, an Irishman, whose home was in Chicago and who was on his way to Columbus, sat down on the railroad track and became intoxicated and every bone in his body was crushed by a freight train. Two fish beer bottles in his pockets were not even cracked.

Swift's Comet Shows Brighter

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 20.—Swift's comet is getting brighter and passing to the right hand side of the planet's head by night. It can be seen with small telescopes and field glasses. It was visible with a portion of the planet in the field of the under. The motion is almost exactly north.

Bishop O'Gorman Consecrated

WASHINGTON, April 20.—With imposing rites the Rt. Rev. Thomas O'Gorman was consecrated as bishop of Sioux Falls, S. D., the ceremony taking place at St. Patrick's church, which was crowded throughout the four hours which the exercises consumed.

THE PLAGUE IN CHINA

There Is Much Sickness in Hongkong, but Not Serious.

YOKOHAMA, April 20.—The plague situation is not alarming. There is a great deal of sickness among the European colony at Hongkong, but nothing very serious. It has raged there constantly for seven weeks and the city is in an unhealthy state. A fatal cattle disease has broken out, which almost ruined the dairy business.

Up to March 20 there had been 264 cases of the plague in Hongkong since Jan. 1. Most of the south China and island ports have declared quarantine against Hongkong. A case of plague is reported from Singapore.

The German officers engaged in organizing and drilling the new Chinese army at Nanking were attacked and badly beaten by a Chinese mob.

News from Korea states that the Korean king is domiciled at the Russian legation, but that the Russians are endeavoring to persuade him to return to his palace.

Outbreaks among Koreans against the Japanese are still frequent, and a number of Japanese have been killed.

Admiral McNear, in command of the Asiatic squadron, is contemplating a naval demonstration in Chinese waters. The fleet, consisting of the Detroit, Olympia, Charleston and Boston will rendezvous at Shanghai during the summer and will then sail north along the coast of China and to Japan.

The United States steamer Detroit recently made a fast trip between Nagasaki and Shanghai. She made the distance in 28 hours, which is 30 minutes faster than the time made by the Empress of India, the previous record holder. The Detroit averaged about 10 knots an hour.

The United States vessels Petrel and

CONCORD HAVE Sailed for India via Honolulu.

The Petrel left Yokohama March 26 and the Concord March 30. The Petrel has been in Chinese waters for many years and this will probably be her last sea voyage.

BROKE THROUGH THE LINE

News-papers Correspondent Passes Over to the Insurgents.

HAVANA, April 20.—It is reported that the correspondent of a New Orleans paper has succeeded in penetrating into the insurgent camp. The government has decided to increase the strength of the fortifications in all parts of the island.

A numerous band of insurgents at Placetas, surprised the local guerrilla force while the latter was out foraging and killed nine and wounded 24 with machetes.

In an engagement with the troops commanded by General Suarez Valdez, near Pinar del Rio, the insurgents left nine killed and retired with their wounded.

Said Nothing but Worked the Trigger.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., April 20.—John L. Midkiff, a Lincoln county young man, called to spend the evening with a daughter of David R. Franklin, a farmer. About 10 o'clock Midkiff was leaving the residence, when he was confronted by Franklin, who without a word pulled a revolver and inflicted two fatal wounds. Franklin surrendered to the authorities, but refuses to make any statement of the affair.

May Run Into Danger.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20.—It is more than likely that a shot or two will be fired across the bow of the Pacific mail steamer City of Para before she again returns to this port. The vessel will sail for the turbulent Central American ports, and Captain Russell will be instructed to make an effort to enter the ports held by the Nicaraguan insurgents for the purpose of landing freight.

Colorado Will Vote For Silver.

CHICAGO, April 20.—W. H. Griffith, late chairman of the Republican state central committee of Colorado, and who is now manager of two daily papers at Leadville, Colo., says Colorado will vote for silver, that no candidate for president on a gold platform can carry the state, and that the party that declares for free coinage, be it the Republican, Democratic or silver party, will carry the state by a large majority.

Smothered in the Mud

POVERTON, O., April 20.—Delos Starnett, a young farmer of Bedford, was subject to epileptic fits, and while out in a field plowing alone he went to a spring to get a drink. While there he took a fit and fell with his face in the mud, and when found he was dead.

McBride Talked Of

WABEY, O., April 20.—Andrew McBride of Mil is talked of for president of the Amalgamated Iron and Steel Workers of the United States to succeed M. M. Garland of Pittsburgh, who is said to have political ambitions.

A Father's Horrible Crime

YONKON, O., April 20.—Alfred Evers was arrested for incest with his 16-year old daughter. He was bound over to court on two charges of rape and incest in the sum of \$1,000 each.

Injured in a Ball Game

MARYSVILLE, O., April 20.—While playing baseball at the West school building 2 Ivy Egan the struck, winning with a pitched ball in the right foot, knocking him to the ground and he has since been in an unconscious condition. He is thought to be seriously injured.

Smelted at Dayton

COLUMBUS, O., April 20.—Secretary Probst of the state board of health has been notified that there are three additional cases of smallpox at Dayton, O., where a painful epidemic prevails.

Cheaper to Marry.

CHICAGO, April 20.—Ezekiel Smith, the wealthy contractor who was recently sued by Miss Ella Donaldson for \$50,000 for breach of promise, has compromised the suit by marrying the plaintiff and has started for California on a wedding trip.

Bicycle Advertisement.

HARTFORD, April 20.—George Pope of the Pope Manufacturing company said that the company was in no way interested in the bicycle syndicate, which, it is stated, is being formed, with headquarters at Toledo.

Death of Ex-Governor Boreman.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., April 20.—Ex-Governor Boreman, the 1st of the war governors of West Virginia, is dead. He was once United States senator and has been identified with state interests for 30 years.

Hanged a "Spotter."

IRVING, COLLEGE, Tenn., April 20.—Stirling Savage, who was suspected of being a "spotter" for revenue officers, was taken from his bed by a mob of moonshiners and hanged.

It Has the Document.

SHANGHAI, April 20.—It is true that Li Hung Chang, who is on his way to Moscow to be present at the coronation of the czar, bears with him a secret Russo Chinese treaty.

A Two Days' Session.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The national arbitration conference will hold a two days' session in this city during the coming week, beginning Wednesday.

Death of General Booles.

WASHINGTON, Del., April 20.—General Levi Clark Booles of the regular army, retired, died in this city, aged 87 years.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

Banker sentenced.

LANCASTER, Pa., April 20.—E. K. Smith, the ex-banker of Columbia, was sentenced to imprisonment for two years and five months on two convictions of embezzlement, the offenses consisting in accepting deposits when he knew his bank was insolvent.

Want Another Trial.

Tiffin, O., April 20.—The attorneys for Lee J. Martin, awaiting execution for the murder of City Marshal Shultz, have filed a motion in the circuit court asking for a new trial.

She Deserves It.

OTTAWA, April 20.—Mrs. Bell for cruelty to her grandchildren, was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Cabinet Company Assigns.

MILWAUKEE, April 20.—The Coway Cabinet company has made an assignment.

Forests Burning.

BUENA VISTA, O., April 20.—The immense tract of timber land situated immediately north of this place is on fire and much valuable timber is being destroyed. Lines of fire miles long can be seen at night. Men are fighting the fire.

Another Tri-State League.

PORTSMOUTH, O., April 20.—Manager Webb of the Portsmouth team is in correspondence with Ironton, Gallipolis, Marietta, Chillicothe, Circleville, O., and Huntington, W. Va., with good prospects for a regular circuit for this summer.

There is a tone of the tragic and terrible in the following extract from a report of the grand jury of Chicago. "Testimony given before this body shows that the public offices of the city and county are honeycombed with corruption and many officials are steeped in crime. Public affairs have been prostituted for private gain, and things have become so rotten that the very life of the city is imperiled. Of how many other cities than Chicago is this true?"

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DOCTOR BILLS. FLOATING IN THE RIVER

"Blood Purifiers" and
"Tonic" and
"Effective Cure"
for
Stomach and
Stomach Trou-
bles.

Was Found the Body of a Man
Tied Up in a Sack.

IT WAS EVIDENTLY MURDER.

The Victim's Wife and Her Brother Are
Suspected of Committing the Hor-
rible Crime and They
Will Be Arrested.

HOLLAND, Mich., April 20.—A fisher-
man discovered the body of a man float-
ing in Black river. The feet were se-
curely bound and a sack had been pulled
over the head and arms and tied around
the waist. A strap was buckled tightly
around the head through the mouth and
a heavy iron weight had been placed in
the sack to sink the body. His skull
was fractured and other marks of vio-
lence were visible. He was identified
as Elmer W. Lawrence, 41, who was last
seen two weeks ago and was reported
to have gone north. The motive for the
crime is unknown.

The body was found within two
blocks of where Lawrence formerly
lived with his wife. The river runs
through a marsh half a mile wide where,
at any point, it would have been an
easy matter to dump the body without
fear of discovery.

Lawrence's wife at the time of the
disappearance said Elmer had gone
north. She sold everything she pos-
sessed and left the city, telling no one
her plans or destination.

Mrs. Lawrence and her brother, Roy
Coats, have been located at Howard
City and the sheriff has gone there to
place them under arrest until they con-
clusively prove they had nothing to do
with the murder.

WENT INTO HYSTERICS

Did Mrs. Alsop When Informed Her
Husband Had Killed Himself.

TACOMA, April 20.—Mrs. J. E. Alsop
went into hysterics when informed by a
reporter of her husband's suicide at
Seattle. She believes that papers in her
suit for divorce were served on him in
his cell. She says that they lived hap-
pily together, and that he went to Chi-
cago on business with her knowledge
and consent in 1895. He wrote her af-
fectionate letters for a time, finally stating
he was going to the Minnesota iron re-
gion. She heard no more of him, and
believed he was buried in the fire which
wiped out Hinkley, Minn., in 1894.
She was collecting evidence of his death
in order to obtain his insurance. Last
Tuesday, to her great surprise, he visited
her but did not receive a cordial recep-
tion. The same day she took steps to
secure a divorce.

LUCKY BOY

Kills the Bear That Was Carrying Off
His Little Sister.

FOOTSTON, Minn., April 20.—While
Mr. and Mrs. H. Gregerson were away
from home a bear invaded the home
and carried off their infant daughter.
Her 8-year-old brother was in the barn
near by, and, hearing the little one's
scream, ran out in time to see the bear
travelling away with his little sister.
He ran into the house, got his father's gun,
which he was barely able to lift, and
killed the bear with three shots. The
child was unharmed.

Another "Oldest" Mason Dead.

COALTON, O., April 20.—Thompson
Leach died from an attack of paralysis
at the age of 94 years. Mr. Leach was
a Master Mason and a charter member
of the lodge of this city, and at the time
of his death was the oldest living Mason
in Ohio and probably in the United
States. He was born in England, in
1802, and thus at the time of his death
he had been a Mason nearly 74
years. He moved to Jackson county, Ohio,
in 1833 and resided here until he was
lived ever since. He was twice
married and is the father of nine chil-
dren, and several of his boys were in
the civil war.

Century Road Club.

CHICAGO, April 20.—The election
committee of the Century Road Club of
America met in Chicago and canvassed
the vote for election of officers of that
organization. The result was the re-
election of President William A. Shir-
field of Cleveland; secretary, C. M. Fair-
child of Chicago; O. W. Lawson of
Louisville, treasurer. The prospects for
great activity in the road club this season
are good, the association being on a
better footing than ever before.

Tobacco Factory Burned.

PRINCETON, Ky., April 20.—Powell &
Hollingsworth's tobacco factory burned.
The house contained 900,000 pounds of
tobacco, the greater part of which was
in strips ready for market. Loss on to-
bacco \$40,000, insurance \$20,000; on
building \$10,000, insurance \$5,000. A
dozen small residences in proximity
were burned.

Charged With Criminal Assault.

PORTSMOUTH, O., April 20.—Sarah J.
McClintock, a 16-year-old girl of Mad-
ison township, has sworn out warrants
for the arrest of George Dever and Ed
Mague on the charge of criminal as-
sault. She says they accompanied her
home from church last Sunday night
and assaulted her in the woods.

Fractured His Skull.

BUCYRUS, O., April 20.—H. G. Robin-
son fell down the cellar steps at his
home and struck his head upon a box,
fracturing his skull. He is suffering
from a hemorrhage of the brain and
tracheotomy will probably be necessary
to give relief.

Will Make Promises.

MADRID, April 20.—It is announced
that the royal speech to be delivered at
the opening of the new cortes will
promise political and administrative re-
forms for Cuba and Porto Rico.

He Was Born in Ohio.

CLEVELAND, April 20.—Rev. Dr. Cyrus
S. Bates, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal
church in this city, died of pneumonia.
Dr. Bates was born in Geauga county,
O., in 1840.

PICKPOCKETS.

They Must Have Nerves of Steel to Be
Successful Operators.

Because a man is a pickpocket it does
not necessarily follow that he is not
well educated nor a close observer of his
fellow mortals. The latter trait might
be said to be an absolute requirement to
a successful purloiner of pocketbooks.
One of the gentry who possessed both
characteristics expressed himself the other
day to an Enquirer reporter at police
headquarters:

"There is no class of artists who in
their calling are as dexterous as pick-
pockets. This is due to a double in-
centive. Not only do we find a bait for
effort and exertion in success, but have
the added spur of a fear of failure.
Success means as much to a pickpocket
as to any man, and failure means a
great deal more.

"A vocation in which the slightest
slip means a loss of liberty and perhaps
of life will ever be apt to have a degree
of expertness in its followers not present
in more reputable and safer avenues of
trade.

"Pickpockets, like poets and other
people, are born, not made. Their nerves
must be iron and yet as sensitive as in-
sult. Their hands must be as com-
plete in make up and accomplishment
as Herrmann's, the magician, and strong
as steel, while light as down. Out of the
vast army of humanity who are soldiers
of the shadows only one-fourth of 1 per
cent can do or become pickpockets.

"These form the nobility of thieves
and are revered by the burglar as of
a higher class than they. The practice
of a pickpocket while not really at work
is as constant as that of some famed
professor of the violin or harp. He
keeps pace with the profession. No
sooner does some jeweler invent a new
fastening for diamond pins or studs
than these men of finest touch devise
the motion which evades its purpose.

"The chief object of a pickpocket,
after certainty, is speed. He cannot
dally with his victim by the hour.
What he does is to be over in a flash.
Speaking of pins and studs, there has
never been a fastening so complex but
the expert thieves could defeat it in a
motion. They do in their business as
fine work as any Hindoo, and the thief
himself could not analyze or explain its
detail. His powers of execution have
gone far beyond his powers of reception
or relation.

"A pickpocket consults his own ner-
vous condition constantly. No fine lady
ever has such a time with her nerves as
this aristocrat of the cutlives. If he
does not feel right, he won't 'work.'"
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

NO LONGER "TRIED ON."

The New Invention That Saves Women
From Hours at the Dressmakers'.

A clever New York dressmaker has
done away with the ordeal of "trying
on," and the gowns that come from her
establishment are no longer a weariness
of the flesh or spirit to the woman who
orders them, for they fit without being
"fitted," and there is no "system"
measure and tape about the matter what-
soever. It is merely an ingenious device
patented by this same clever woman of
the needle whereby any client's figure
can be copied from a perfect fitting waist
lining or waist and expanded into an
exact mold of every curve, every angle,
every peculiarity, of the original flesh
and blood form.

This woman discovered that dress-
makers' systems and trying on were the
trials of womanhood. She has with-
drawn from the world the figure which
reasoned that the lay figure had not been
useful except for skirt draping, because
of the manifest inaccuracy of it as ap-
plied to any and every figure. Some wo-
men with a 24 inch waist had a 34 inch
bust measure and a length of side seams
out of all proportion. Other little wo-
men were short waisted and broad backed.
Still others were higher in one
shoulder than the other and had unac-
countable hills and hollows in their
anatomy. It was manifestly impossible
that a conventional machine lay figure
should be able to assume all the shapes
of all the women. No, each woman
must have a mold of her own, and an
exact mold, over which bodies could be
as perfectly fitted as on the flesh and
blood woman.

The invention consists of an artistic
and perfectly fitted waist lining of can-
vas, strong, but flexible, and shaped to
every line of the bodice. Into this lining
is inserted a cunning device which ex-
pands it into the exact shape it was
while upon the woman, just as rigid,
just as solid, as if there was the real
anatomy inside of it, a true reproduction
of the figure.—Jeannette Miller Monthly.

The Woman in Politics.

They were discussing politics, and
there had been a noticeable lack of
logic in any of her remarks and ar-
guments. At last he said, with a
laugh:

"I don't believe you can give me a
single good reason for your being a
Democrat."

"Are you willing to make a bet on
it?" she asked.

"I am," was the reply. "If you
can do it, you have two pounds of
marron glaces tomorrow."

"Well, then," she said, with a
merry twinkle in her eye, "I am a
Democrat because my father is."

She got her bonbons.—New York
Journal.

Serves Him Right.

Maud—What do you do when a
man persists in asking for a dance
and you don't care to dance with him?

Mario—Tell him my card is full.
Maud—But supposing it isn't and
he still persists?

Mario—Then I insist that it is
and let him see that it isn't.—Lon-
don Tit-Bits.

Don't Like It

When Made in a Wrong Way.

"I wish you would say to the peo-
ple some day that I don't believe
more than half those who try Postum,
the health coffee, for the first time,
get it right. In my family the first
time it was served, the color was
thin and the taste sort of watery,
without much character. Come to
laquire, the cook had boiled it about
five minutes instead of 15; so, the
next morning we tried it again and
had it boiled properly, then it came
out with the rich, deep brown color of
fine coffee. I drink my coffee with
cream and sugar, and Postum hit my
taste very favorably. Now we are
daily users of Postum, the food drink,
and staunch champions of it. But
if we had formed an opinion from the
first trial, when the fault was en-
tirely our own, we would have con-
demned it and been denied the use of
a beverage we prize most highly, and
which is helping us physically as well
as adding to our table comforts."

The above is almost a literal re-
production of a statement made to the
advertiser of the Postum Cereal Co. Lim., of Battle Creek,
Mich., and contains a fact that is
well to notice. We do not think he
is quite right in his estimate of the
percentage who blunder in the prepa-
ration of the grain coffee.

Our heavy sales in this city indi-
cate that it is easily prepared and
successfully. Now and then a person
may be careless in brewing it and get
a poor drink: carelessness with fine
coffee makes it disagreeable instead
of a pleasant drink.

Postum properly brewed is deli-
cious and nourishing.

There is but one genuine original
Postum Cereal coffee, with a multi-
tude of imitations offered as "just as
good."

Sold by F. A. Holland, Watson &
Co., John Wheeler, J. S. Smith, L.
Koch, DeVoe Bros., Jones Bros., Z.
A. Crosson & Co., C. A. Phillips.

The trade supplied by the J. M.
Sealts Co.

An American who saw the advance of
the Anglo-Egyptian army under Gen-
eral Kitchener told Colonel Cockerill
that the Egyptian soldiers went forward
crying and sobbing like children. If the
dervishes are conquered, it will have
to be done by the British troops alone.
Ages of servitude and oppression have
sapped all the manhood and courage
from the degenerate Egyptian natives.
What else could be expected?

A Boon to Frenchwomen.

Mme. Jean Schmalz, editor of The
Avant-Courriere, has just succeeded in
carrying through the French chamber of
deputies a bill giving married women
the control of their own earnings. Hith-
erto, whether a married woman earned
\$1 by taking in washing or \$1,000 by
writing a successful book, the money
belonged exclusively to her husband.
This led to great hardship, especially
among poor workingwomen with drunk-
en husbands. It has cost Mme. Schmalz
years of patient, tactful and persistent
effort to get the law amended, but the
measure finally passed by a unanimous
vote.

Boils and pimples are due to im-
pure blood. Remove them by mak-
ing the blood pure with Hood's Sas-
saparilla.

I. O. O. F.

There will be a special meeting of
Solar Lodge No. 733 on Tuesday eve-
ning, April 21st, at 7:15 o'clock, for
the purpose of balloting for and con-
ferring the first and second degrees.
By order of H. L. MCCACHREN,
N. G.

Don't Scold

About crackers being unpalatable.
It's because you haven't got the
right kind. Get Fox's XXXX
Water Butter and see the difference.
The great success of Fox's XXXX
Square Water Butter Crackers has
led others to imitate them. Be sure
and take none of the cheap imita-
tions having the same outward ap-
pearance, or with similar names. See
that the imprint "Fox's is on the
cracker."

Foley's Sarsaparilla combines the
most searching remedies scientifically
prepared to extract their utmost
value. If you need a spring blood
purifier, be sure and take Foley's
Sarsaparilla; trial size, 50c. H. F.
Vortkamp, n. e. cor. Main and North
sts.

W. V. R. U.

The ladies of the Relief Union are
all requested to meet at the U. V. U.
Hall on Wednesday night, April 23d.
The department inspector will be
with us on that evening. Sisters be
prompt. The meeting will open at
7 p. m.
ELMIRA L. BROWN, President.

The Great Success

Of Fox's XXXX Square Water But-
ter Crackers has led to many imita-
tions, but it is generally admitted,
and a copious list easily prove that
none equal Fox's XXXX in delicious-
ness and nutritive qualities. They
are baked from the highest grade
materials.

See that the crackers bear the im-
print "Fox's" on them before you buy
them.

Mrs. Dr. Kerr's

Celebrated Cough Syrup is sold by
all druggists in Lima.

THE HAWAIIAN CABLE.

Honoluluans Not Pleased With the Action
of Congress.

HONOLULU, April 20.—Colonel Spauld-
ing's friends here are not pleased with
the report of the senate committee on
foreign relations on the cable bill. They
take it for granted that the present con-
gress is not disposed to aid the company
of which Spaulding is the head. The
Hawaiian government allowed Spauld-
ing 15 months in which to launch his
scheme. The option will not expire for
nearly one year, and in the meantime
the status of this government are prac-
tically fixed. No proposition can be en-
tertained from any other company.

If congress should refuse to grant a
subsidy to the New Jersey company this
government is not assured that Spauld-
ing will assign his contract and opti-
on to any company that might be able to
secure the desired aid. Cable support-
ers here would be glad to have the
New Jersey and New York cable com-
panies combine, if such a combination
would insure the building of the cable.
It has been stated that congress will not
act on the cable question unless the
Hawaiian government opens the field to
any other American company having
approval of the United States congress.

In regard to the foregoing, a cabinet
minister stated that much as they would
like to see the cable built, no offers from
any other company would be consid-
ered until it was definitely known
whether or not congress would aid
Spaulding. If the aid was refused,
then they would consider the latter's
option as ended and other companies
would be dealt with.

A dispatch was received by Minister
Cooper April 10, per the Alameda, from
R. W. Lyman at Tokyo, to the effect that
a Chinese passenger from Hongkong by
the Gaelic had left the steamer secretly
at Yokohama, March 30, and died of
the black plague in the Chinese hospital
there on April 1. The affair was not
discovered until April 2. "The same day
the vessel arrived at this port the
port physician visited the ship and re-
ported that she had 900 steerage passen-
gers and 700 tons of freight for this
port.

She left Yokohama on March 31 and
on April 4 a case of smallpox was dis-
covered. The doctor of the Gaelic re-
ported that there was sickness between
Hongkong and Yokohama, but that
upon examination of the steerage pas-
sengers the day after leaving Yoko-
hama one Chinese was found missing.
He got away in some secret manner.
This was the man who died of the
black plague in the hospital at Yoko-
hama.

The board of health decided to allow
the Gaelic to come in alongside the Pa-
cific Mail wharf, but under the strictest
quarantine. The passengers will be
landed at quarantine island.

BURNED TWO HOUSES.

The Families Were Allowed to Move
Out Beforehand.

HARRISBURG, Ky., April 20.—The
residents of the Beechland neighbor-
hood, in the adjoining county of Wash-
ington, resorted to harsh measures to
rid themselves of two obnoxious fam-
ilies. A party of unknown men visited
the home of Temp Keeling and ordered
him to move his effects out of the build-
ing. After this was complied with the
visitors applied the torch to the house
and rode away, and it burned to the
ground while the family was powerless
to extinguish the flames. The mob
then went to the home of Bill Keeling,
and after making him move his furni-
ture into the yard, also burned his
house to the ground.

Sons of the Revolution.

SAVANNAH, April 20.—The annual
convention of the general society of
Sons of the Revolution met here. Ex-
Governor John Lee Carroll of Mary-
land, president of the general society,
presided at the meeting. Twenty-one
societies are represented at the meeting
by distinguished members.

A "Peeping Tom" Lynched.

DELAND, Fla., April 20.—For some
time a "peeping Tom" has been watch-
ing women disrobe at night. It was
discovered the offender was John Van
Brunt, and the husbands of the women
he had watched took him from his home
at midnight and shot him to death.

Austin Abbott Dead.

NEW YORK, April 20.—Austin Abbott,
LL. D., dean of the New York univer-
sity law school, died after an illness of
about 10 weeks. He was born in Bos-
ton on Dec. 18, 1831.

MARKET REPORTS.

Grain and Stock Quotations For April 18,
New York.

Beef—Family, \$10 00/11 50; extra mess, \$7 50
00/9 00; mess, \$5 00/6 50; salt meat.
Fielded bellies, 4 00/5 00; pickled shoulders,
4 00; pickled hams, 5 00/6 00. Lard—Western
steam, 10 25/11 00; Pork—Old mess, 10 25/11 00;
family, 10 25/11 00; short clear, 10 00/11 00.
Butter—Western dairy, 10 00/11 00; do cream-
ery, 10 00/11 00; do factory, 9 00/10 00; Eggs, 10c;
milk, 10c; cream, 10c; Cheese—State
large, 6 00/7 00; do small, 5 00/6 00; part chas-
sard; full skims, 2 00/2 50; Eggs—State and
Pennsylvania, 11 00/12 00; western fresh, 11 00/
12 00.
Wheat—75c. Corn—35c. Rye—13 00/14 00.
Oats—20c.

Chicago.

Cattle—Fair to good heaves, \$3 25/4 45;
stockers and feeders, \$2 00/3 35; mixed cows
and bulls, \$1 50/3 35; Texans, \$2 25/3 35;
western, \$2 15/3 30.
Hogs—Light, \$3 85/4 35; rough packing
and shipping, \$2 40/4 35; mixed and butchers',
\$3 35/4 35; heavy packing and shipping,
\$3 40/4 35; pigs, \$2 25/3 45.
Sheep—Native, \$1 00/1 70; western, \$1 40/2 40;
4c; Texas, \$1 00/1 70; lambs—\$1 40/2 40.
Wheat—75c. Corn—25c. Rye—13c.
Oats—12c.

Pittsburg.

Cattle—Prime, \$4 35/4 45; fair to good
butchers', \$3 40/4 00; bulls, cows and stags,
\$1 50/3 00.
Hogs—Heavy, \$3 80/4 00; medium, \$3 60/4 00;
4c; pigs, \$2 25/3 40.
Sheep and lambs—Choice sheep, \$3 50/4 50;
common, \$1 00/1 50; choice lambs, \$3 40/4 50;
extras, \$3 00/4 50.

Buffalo.

Cattle—Market steady.
Hogs—Yorkers, \$3 00/3 35; roughs, common
to good, \$2 70/3 35; medium and heavies,
\$1 00/3 35; pigs, \$1 00/1 75.
Sheep and lambs—Butters, \$2 00/2 45; good
prime, \$2 10/2 30; common, \$1 00/1 40; choice
lambs, \$1 25/2 05. Veal calves, \$5 00/6 40.

Cincinnati.

Wheat—No 2 red, 85c. Corn—No 2 mixed
80c. Oats—No 2 mixed, 25c. Rye—No 2,
44c.
Lard—\$5 25. Bulk meats—\$1 50. Bacon—
\$5 50.
Hogs—\$4 00/5 00. Cattle—\$2 25/4 00. Sheep
—\$1 75/4 00. Lamb—\$3 50/4 25.

Tulsa.

Wheat—No 2 red, 85c. Corn—No 2 mixed, 30c.
Oats—No 2 white, 25c. Rye—40c. Clover
seed—41 00.

WONDERFUL ESCAPE.

Mr. A. E. Wing, a Keeper at the
Michigan State Prison at
Jackson,

TELLS ABOUT IT.

From Jackson Citizen.

Mr. A. E. Wing is a keeper at the
Michigan state prison, Jackson, a po-
sition he has held for years. Our
representative found him at his res-
idence, No. 612 North Jackson street,
and he related the following incident,
the truth of which is beyond dispute,
for Mr. Wing's sterling qualities are
well known to his many acquaint-
ances, a good man and a faithful em-
ployee, he would not misrepresent any-
thing that would wrongly impress
our citizens. He says: Some months
ago my attention was attracted by a
swelling in my groin; the swelling
began to increase to such an extent
that I was alarmed. It spread down
my legs right into my feet, so bad
that I could not get my pants or
shoes on. I had to open my shoes a
distance of fully two inches. My
condition was very bad; my face even
puffed up and my whole system even
seemed affected. I could hardly walk
up stairs to unlock my men. I went
to a physician, one of the ablest in
the city. He said the swelling was
caused by my kidneys, and I com-
menced treatment with him, but my
condition did not change and I
seemed to be getting worse. About
this time a friend strongly urged me
to try Doan's Kidney Pills, and I
finally consented to let him get a
box for me. After the first week of
their use I commenced to notice a
change and I continued taking them,
five boxes in all, with the happy re-
sult that I was completely cured. I
must confess that I was surprised at
the result. I have never heard of
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Wayne St., near Collet 1200
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7 room house, nice lot, High St., near
Baxter 1800
New modern residence, large lot, West
Market St., near Collet 3200
Large brick house, nice lot, Elm St.,
near West 3000
10 room residence, nice lot, Pierce St.,
near Market 3600
5 room new house, nice lot, Charles St.,
near Wayne 1100
New modern cottage, good lot Collet
St., near Wayne 600
6 room house and two lots, St. Johns Ave.
near Market 1500
7 room modern house, large lot, North
St., near Sugar 1200
Large modern residence, fine grounds,
West Market St., near McDonald 7500
New modern residence, nice grounds,
West North St., near Washington 6500
Modern residence, large grounds, West
Market St., near Collet 4800
Modern residence, barn and fine lot,
Pine St., near Market 2100
Large residence, barn, nice large lot,
Market St., near Scott 2500
7 room modern cottage, large lot, Pierce
St., near Kirby 1700
7 room modern cottage, nice lot on
Broadway 1400
Modern home, good lot, Baxter St., near
High 2500
6 room new house, nice lot, Tenth St.,
near Kirby 1200
6 room house and lot, Greenlawn Ave.,
near Kirby 600
7 room house, modern conveniences,
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ABRAM HARROD.For Prosecuting Attorney,
J. C. RIDENOUR.For Infirmary Director,
ELI MECHLING.For Commissioner,
T. C. BURNS.

It is not strange that there should be a dark war cloud hanging over Africa.

"Silver Dick," of Missouri, would make a bland sort of a president, even though he possessed no other qualification.

West Virginia has one sure thing man. The McKinley managers wanted him, so they sent him fifteen hundred dollars to try to corral the delegates of that state. The sure thing man has disappeared. The

McKinley contingents are of course warm, but will not prosecute, fearing the publicity of the procedure.

Indiana is being flooded with campaign buttons labeled: "Harrison and Success." This would indicate an attempt to create Harrison sentiment, and carries with it the impression there is still a Harrison following, that will force the presentation of his name at St. Louis.

On and after the second Monday of May the national flag will float from a flag staff on every school house in this state on fair days. On all other days the flag must be displayed in the interior of the school building. This will prove a practical lesson in patriotism to the rising generation.

A PENNSYLVANIA OPINION.The latest thing in the way of combinations is the Bicycle Trust, with a capital of \$3,000,000, which proposes to control the United States market, and is to set up its plant and headquarters in Toledo, Ohio. It is strange how many trusts and a common center in the Buckeye State, as it attracted to McKinley's commonwealth by some law of gravitation!—*Philadelphia Record.***COURT HOUSE NEWS.****NEW CASE.**

Ed. Kerr vs. Mary E. Smith, petition in error.

Ed. Kerr vs. Mary E. Smith. Error.

William F. Hasler vs. John Peterman and Catharine. Foreclosure.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

First National Bank of Fremont to Elizabeth A. Rowlands; part lot 28, Lima, \$450.

Martha Barber to Susan M. Barber; 40 acres in Jackson township, \$1400.
William Bowers to William A. Bowers and wife; 24 acres in Sugar Creek township, \$1250.Frank W. Judy and wife to Thos. D. Bobb; lot 2153, Lima, \$325.
Crescent Hiet to Paul Slipplich; 40 acres in Marion township, love.Matilda Schroeder to Louise Schroeder; lot 72 in Delphos, \$10,500.
Louise Schroeder to Fred Schroeder; lot 72 in Delphos, \$3500.

Louise Schroeder to Matilda Schroeder; part lot 72 in Delphos, \$3500.

Louise Schroeder to J. M. Schroeder; part lot 72 in Delphos, \$3500.

A RUNAWAY.**Dr. Blattenburg's Horse Frightened and Runs Down the Market Street Sidewalk.**

A horse belonging to Dr. Blattenburg, about noon to-day, became frightened at the corner of Market street and the square and ran down the sidewalk on the north side of Market street to Phillips' grocery, where it turned into the street and ran to the fair grounds, where it was stopped.

The buggy was badly broken and the legs of the horse severely cut. Fortunately no one was on the sidewalk at the time. Had it occurred five minutes later the sidewalk would have been full of school children, and their lives would have been endangered.

John Wheeler

has several varieties of fine Northern Michigan potatoes, for seed or the table, at low prices. 9 St.

If rapid transit had been under consideration in Chicago as it is in New York, the enterprise would have been put through long ago. At present rates of progress in New York, however, the long suffering inhabitants of the big city may be able to get about quickly and conveniently about 100 years from now.

A Good Example.

Mrs. Dauber was a lady who kept a lodging house in one of our cities. A man came and engaged a room in her house. She had suspicions of him and watched him. At length she found him sneaking through the other rooms with his shoes off. She snatched up a pistol and confronted him, covering him with the little gun and holding him with it and with her eye. Meantime she screamed for help. It came, and then the sneak was given over to a policeman, who landed him in the station house. There he proved to be a well known thief. Finally it came out that the pistol was not loaded at all, but was utterly harmless. It had, however, enabled Mrs. Dauber to capture her thief all the same.

It is a period of dreadful attacks and murderous assaults on women, for some reason inexplicable. There have not been so many women murdered and attacked ever before in the history of our country as in the past two years, and the outrages continue. Under the circumstances women should be taught to defend themselves, with pistol or otherwise. A good strong infusion of pluck and fearlessness will go as far as a pistol in confronting a murderous miscreant sometimes. But women should be taught to use the pistol, too, and have it handy. It cannot be expected that girls and women must remain shut up indoors all the time. Men could not stay at home to protect them if they did. They must learn to protect themselves, at least till the murderous mania is over among masculine creatures. Cold lead or a good steel blade or a club is far more effective with the wretches who attack women than pleading. As to running away, that is the worst thing a woman can do. The man who pursues her can always run faster.

What Banking Is.

Matthew Marshall, the financial writer of the New York Sun, thus defines what in his judgment the banking business is and is not:

Legitimate banking is nothing more than the taking of money on deposit and the lending of it out again. The taking of deposits involves of course the acceptance for collection of checks, drafts, notes and other promises to pay money, and the lending of money involves likewise the discount or the purchase of similar promises. The profits of the business are derived from the interest and discount on the money loaned, out of which have to be paid expenses, taxes and losses before anything can be divided to the bank's stockholders or the proprietors. Theoretically expenses, taxes and losses should be equaled if not exceeded by the interest or discount received for the use of the money of depositors, leaving intact that derived from the employment of the bank's own money. Consequently it is the duty of all banks to attract as large a volume of deposits as possible, and the competition between them in this respect has led to the offering of inducements to customers which frequently cost more than the business they bring in is worth.

Banks add to their legitimate banking business the issuing of money notes. In the early days of this country, when circulating medium of all kinds was scarce, this usurpation of power was at first committed to and finally legitimized, but it is a usurpation nevertheless. The furnishing of the currency of a country is quite as much a function of its government as is providing it with an army or navy, and much more so than the carrying of letters and newspapers. The coming of metal money should be entrusted to private individuals and corporations, and the printing of paper to serve as money comes under the same head.

As to the argument that small banks cannot do business and continue to exist without the additional profit to be derived from the issue of circulating notes, it proves too much. A bank which cannot make a living by legitimate banking business ought not to exist at all.

It seems to be almost as hard for a doctor as for a woman to keep an intensely interesting secret. The profession, however, has had a wholesome lesson in the Playfair-Kitsen case in England. Briefly, Dr. Playfair treated Mrs. Kitsen. His wife was a relative of Mrs. K. Dr. Playfair concluded there was enough in the conduct of Mrs. Kitsen to warrant informing his wife that his patient was no better than she ought to be. The doctor's wife made use of the knowledge to the prejudice of Mrs. Kitsen. Mrs. K. brought suit for damages for defamation of character and obtained judgment for \$60,000. It served Dr. Playfair right. The gossiping of physicians concerning their patients' private affairs has broken up many a family and destroyed much happiness and good will. Medical confidences ought to be as sacred as those of the confessional.

The new battleship Iowa belongs more nearly to the type called in England the admiral class than to any other afloat. The Iowa, however, is designed to carry as heavy guns as the British ships that are considerably larger in size. The displacement of a ship is the quantity of water that its hull removes or displaces when it is afloat. This is computed in tons and estimates the size of the vessel. Thus the Iowa is a ship of 11,296 tons displacement. The British battleship Magnificent has 14,900 tons displacement, but the Iowa carries as heavy an armament as the Magnificent. The Iowa carries four 12 inch guns, with a varied assortment of smaller ones. She has capacity for 2,000 tons of coal. Vessels of this type are not expected to make great speed, but the Iowa's engines are of 11,000 horsepower. She can travel about 20 miles an hour.

Both the friends and the opponents of the new liquor law in New York state will watch with interest its workings in the next few months. All respectable citizens want proper excise laws enforced, but objections against the Raines law are urged on the score that it may be used as a political machine. Its opponents say that making its enforcement depend on state officers will put into the hands of the political party in power in the state at the time a great machine to perpetuate its rule.

Around the World.

In General Grant's lifetime it was considered a great feat to go around the world in 80 days. About five years ago the New York World's correspondent, Nellie Bly, made the trip in 72 days, traveling by the ordinary routes. Now another step has been made in annihilating time and space, and the lightning tourist can circle the globe in 65 days, and he is not considered to be doing anything extraordinary. But there is soon to be another great slice cut off from the time.

The Transsiberian railway is being rapidly completed. It will be borne in mind that the nearer the pole we go the smaller around its circumference the earth becomes. The Transsiberian railway will be the most northerly one running east and west on the globe. If the traveler, therefore, wishes to go around the world at lightning speed after this great road is finished he will have only to start from London by rail and be whisked to Moscow. This will take him some four days. At Moscow he takes a train eastward through European Russia, thence on through Siberia till he is set down at the port of Vladivostok, on the Pacific. This will occupy perhaps 20 days, for the route is long. From Vladivostok he takes steamer for Yokohama, and there another steamer to America. He crosses America on the Canadian Pacific and is home again in London, less than a month and a half from the time he started. The calculation has been made that when the Transsiberian railway is entirely finished the whole globe trip can be made in less than 45 days.

What enjoyment there could be in such whirlwind travel as that, however, is another question. Among the slower, more enjoyable journeys around the world are those planned out for excursion parties and in charge of a conductor. The price of these has been brought down amazingly low, too, some of them costing no more than \$600.

Yankee Athletes In Greece.

For many centuries it was the custom of ancient Greece to hold the Olympic games every four years. An olympiad was the four years intervening between two celebrations. They continued during all the years of Hellenic glory, but were abandoned 15 centuries ago. After that long intermission the year 1896 sees them revived again in a fashion somewhat different from the ancient way.

This year will be known in history as marking the seven hundred and seventy-sixth olympiad. So much interest is taken in the affair that the king of Greece himself superintends the games. The conduct of the Greeks has been graceful, generous and hospitable in the extreme, not only to our American boys, but to all the strangers as well. The greatest victor in the old games was he who won the pentathlon, because he had to excel in five different contests—wrestling, jumping, throwing the discus, hurling the javelin and running. No modern is equal to such work, so the prize for the pentathlon was omitted from the list.

It is a great gratification to their countrymen that our two American towns, from Princeton and from Boston, have made so fine a showing among the athletes of all nations. Young Robert Garrett's discus throwing, in fact, is almost phenomenal. He threw the disk 30 feet, thus defeating the Greek champion himself, Mr. Paraskevopoulos, who was expected to win easily. Perhaps the fact that he had such a name hampered the Greek champion.

The country rejoiced at the overwhelming majority given to the concurrent Cuban resolutions in congress. Our national legislature gave expression to the sentiments and wishes of the whole country in moving for recognition of belligerent rights for Cuba. But perhaps it would have been well enough to stop there and not recommend the president to offer the friendly mediation of the United States to Spain with a view of securing the independence of Cuba. It is true that the nearness of Cuba to our shores in a measure changes the strictly nonmeddling in the affairs of European nations which is the traditional policy of the United States. But just at this moment the offer of our friendly services to Spain will only infuriate that nation. Nothing but being whipped till she has no power of fight left in her will ever make her give up Cuba. That is Spanish pride. But if we should simply accord belligerent rights to the revolutionists and let them alone they would do the rest and give the whip.

After a vigorous fight against it by the railroad interests the bill making bicycles ordinary baggage, and as such to be carried free, has become a law in New York state. The argument which clinched it was that all passengers were already allowed to have baggage to the amount of 100 pounds carried without extra charge. Bicyclers have no trunks or valises; consequently they ought to be allowed to have their wheels transported free.

The journey to the Alaskan gold mines is almost as terrible, in another way, as that was over the desert in the pioneer days of California. But the horrors of the route to the Yukon do not deter American miners and those who hope to be miners. Already this spring 1,000 men have left Seattle alone for the Yukon region.

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We have purchased the entire stock of lithographs and premium pictures of the premium department of the late Toledo Spice Co., which made an assignment some time ago, for 40 cents on the dollar. This stock consists of an elegant assortment of imported oil and water color panels.

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Good Fitting WrapperCall and see Michael Cooper's Wrappers.
of New York City, at**E. E. HALTER'S.****OIL AND GAS.**

The Ohio's No. 3 on the Jesse Montgomery farm was shot Monday and is good for twenty-five barrels per day.

The standard is erecting a number of big iron storage tanks on the Arthur Stoker farm in Liberty township.

Geo. Wilch has leased his eighty-five acre farm, five miles east of town, to the Sun Oil Co., for \$10 an acre bonus.

Mr. Bramer, the Ohio's local superintendent, located wells Monday as follows: No. 1 on the O. M. Bell farm, adjoining the big Kurtz, Sec. 4; No. 1 on the Ben Leitchy, Sec. 7; No. 1 on the Philip Arnold farm, Sec. 20; No. 5 on the J. W. Montgomery, Sec. 17; No. 1 on the Scott Bentley farm in Richland township.

It may surprise some of our readers to learn that the total pay roll of the Ohio Oil Co., in this field, for labor, material, etc., is \$25,000 per month. They give constant employment to from ten to twelve teams daily, work two crews of rig builders, two crews of power builders, run eleven strings of tools and have a total of sixty-five men at work.

The Kurtz well, owned by Goodkind & Son, is doing between 75 and 100 barrels per day. The first tank was ready to run Monday.

Moses Steiner got out a rig for No. 2 on the Kurtz farm, No. 2 on the Asa Battles, Jr., farm and one for No. 2 on the Isaac Thompson farm.

The Ohio's Scotchman No. 7 has been completed and is doing between 200 and 225 barrels a day. It is the best well yet drilled on that farm.

The Ohio's present daily output in this field is about 1000 barrels; the Sun's 450, and the other producers about 350, making a total of 1800 barrels.

The Putnam Oil Co. have located their first well on the G. Reichenbach farm, two miles east of Faurot. They will start the drill in a few days.

The Ohio's No. 2 on the John Rossman was cased Tuesday. The Ohio is building rigs on the Eliza No. 3 and the Wm. Fisher No. 2.

The Ohio has timber on the ground for No. 1 on the Stella Steiner farm, Richland township. The Ohio's No. 2 on the Laura

Pepple farm has been completed and will make 50 barrels per day.

The Stephen Bigger well, owned by the Sun, which was drilled in some time ago, but not shot, is being drilled deeper, and will be shot the latter part of the week.

The Sun's well, No. 6 on the Asa Battles, Jr., farm, would have been in Monday, but some difficulty was experienced with the casing and it will not be completed until the latter part of the week.

The Schenck Oil Co. at Delphos has been offered a big thing for their interests, but have declined. They have several wells with a total output in the neighborhood of 300 or 1,000 barrels a month.

Bowlus's No. 3 on the Jesse Montgomery farm is perhaps one of the best wells in the Bluffton field. The night after being shot it put four feet of oil in the tank, and in the following twelve hours it pumped 180 barrels.

O. C. Shepp, who leased land here last winter for Bettman, Bernheimer & Watson, is at the head of a company with a capital of \$50,000 and several hundred acres of valuable territory in the Montpelier, Ind., field, which they will operate this summer.—*[Bluffton News.]***Y. M. C. A.****Athletic Carnival Practicing for the Present Week.**

Monday—8 o'clock, drills and pyramids, shadowgraphs; Seniors.

Tuesday—4 o'clock, drills; Juniors. 8 o'clock—mat work, parallel and horizontal bar and stationary.

Wednesday—8 o'clock, drills and pyramids, shadowgraphs; Seniors.

Thursday—4 o'clock, drills and photography; Juniors.

Friday at 8 o'clock, full rehearsal; Juniors, Seniors, Business.

Saturday—9:30 a. m., drills by Juniors; 8 p. m., drills and pyramids, shadowgraphs; Seniors.

Monday, April 27th, full rehearsal at opera house at 8 o'clock. Participants are requested to be on hand at the appointed time.

W. R. C.

Will meet in regular session to-morrow, April 21st, at 7:30 p. m.

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"In a house that I went into one night in the country," said the retired burglar, "I saw when I got up on the second floor a light coming out into the hall from an open door. When I got a look into that door, I saw a man all dressed standing leaning over a bed. I couldn't see his face, but I could see anxiety on the back of his head. Lying in the bed was a child, thin and white and still, but awake and looking up at its father. Backing out of the door, I tucked my lamp against the door jamb. The man looked up. He wasn't scared. I don't if he would have been anyway, but he was thinking of something else now."

"Come in," he says, and I went in. "The child looked at me as I walked across the floor, and then looked up again at its father, saying nothing, but just lying there and looking up."

"How the man came to be fixed in that way, all alone with that child, I could not even guess. Wife just died maybe, but there he was and thinking of nothing else in the world, and the child was the pinkest looking little child I ever saw."

"What the man wanted was to have me go for the doctor. He told me his name, and the doctor's name, and where he lived, and I went. It was late, you understand, and I whunged away on the doctor's door till I heard him open his window. I told him what was wanted. 'All right,' he says, and I thought by the way he said it he knew about the child."

"Then I went my way. I'd lost a night, but what of that?"—New York Sun.

They Scorned Doctors.

The learned ladies in olden times made no boast of their legal knowledge. They probably thought as Dogberry did of reading and writing, that it "came by nature," but they took great comfort and pride in their skill in medicine. With true professional scorn they looked down upon the regular doctors as upon quacks. "For God's sake beware what medicines ye take of any fussy-sayans of London. I shall never trust to them because of your father and my uncle, whose souls God as-soil." So wrote a lady in conscious pride. She knew she could have saved the lives of her unfortunate relatives if she had only had a chance to dose them with some of her wonderful concoctions, or to have put upon them some such plasters as those for which Dame Margery Paston was famous. Her husband sent for one of her plasters for the "king's attorney," James Horbarst, who was suffering with an ache in his knee, and to whom Sir John Paston felt himself sentimentally indebted. "He is the man who brought you and me together," he wrote to Margery, "and I had lever than 240 that ye could with your plaster part him and his pain."—Emily Ball Stone in Lippincott's.

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Of these unhappy people who are suffering with weak nerves, starting at every slight sound, unable to endure any unusual disturbance, finding it impossible to sleep? Avoid opiate and nerve compounds. Feed the nerves upon blood made pure and nourishing by the great blood purifier and true nerve tonic, Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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WOMAN'S WORLD.

ONE OF MINNESOTA'S CULTIVATED WOMEN LEADERS.

Telewoman to South Dakota—Bismarck and Coats—Beneficial to Australia—A Missionary Heroine—A Woman's Rights Decisions—Passing of the Skirt.

Miss Margaret Evans, president of the Minnesota Federation of Women's Clubs, is one of the most cultured ladies in the west. A thoroughly traveled woman, she has remembered most of what she has seen, and her early and complete training in the classics gave her a keenness of appreciation of what she saw in Europe that is the good fortune of few travelers. "You must take the Pantheon with you," said Professor Barker, and certainly if any one that has gone abroad has had a genuine feeling for the classics it is Miss Evans. She has spent most of her life in Minnesota. Her academic education was given her at Winona. Thence she entered the Lawrence university at Appleton, Wis. Before entering college she taught four years and spent her vacations in her capacity as pedagogues. She has a fine appreciation of the excellent points



MISS MARGARET EVANS.

of a teacher in the classics. After some experience in the summary at Fox Lake she returned to her university to assume the important position of teacher of German, Latin and Greek.

At present her forte is English literature, and her lectures on this topic make up an important part of the commentaries on letters in America. Miss Evans has made several trips abroad. On her last literary pilgrimage to Europe she took with her a party of Americans interested in English literature. This party visited the homes of the great English poets and studied their works under the informing influence of the scenes that environed the authors when they wrote. Since that time, which was five years ago, Miss Evans has spent a year in study at Berlin, Heidelberg and Oxford. For 15 years she has been president of the woman's board of missions for the interior. At present she is the lady principal of Carleton college, and prefers the work pertaining to that post to other fields more attractive. Chicago Herald.

Telewoman in South Dakota.

If straws show the way the wind blows, the action of the court of divorce in Brookings, S. D., whereby a jury was made up of six men and six women is the inaugural of the peaceful revolution in American jurisprudence. To any one familiar with the jury practice of modern courts the innovation will be welcomed by all believers in judicial reform. The jury is one of the few ancient institutions which have not progressed with society and civilization. Originally it was the greatest bulwark of a man's safety. He was entitled to be tried by 12 of his peers and neighbors, by the men who knew him and could therefore the best judge of his character and his motive. There was at the same time in those olden days a matrons' jury for special occasions and emergencies.

With the process of the years, challenges for favor, challenges for technical reasons, challenges without any reasons, were allowed in ever increasing numbers. At the same time exempting laws were passed whereby the most intelligent men were free from all jury duty. Soldiers and sailors, lawyers and clergymen, physicians and dentists, public officials and newspaper men, firemen and even militiamen were excluded from the jury list. It is obvious at a glance that this set of practices on the one side and laws on the other resulted in bringing the ignorant and worthless into abnormal prominence in the jury box.

Worse than this was the practice, which has grown steadily throughout the United States, of excluding everybody who betrays any intelligence, who has formed any opinion or who has read the papers and seen any notice of the litigation in their columns. The consequence is a disgrace to the administration of justice. In great lawsuits like those of Tweed and of Beecher 1,000 jurymen were drawn and really tried before the necessary 12 could be secured. In numberless cases you have jurymen who never read the newspapers, who do not know the name of the governor, president or the mayor, who cannot read and write, and who are frequently but one remove from the poorhouse or the asylum.

The action of the South Dakota court in basing its jury upon intelligence and selecting the members equally from the two sexes, in order to better understand and judge upon the merits and demerits of the husband and wife, is a progressive action which cannot be too highly praised or its momentous consequences be overestimated.—Margherita Arlun Hamm in New York Mail and Express.

Basques and Coats.

There are a goodly number of basques worn that are really round waists fitted to the bottom of the waist line or slightly pointed and a ripple or nearly circular basque piece added. With these are worn a ribbon or belting band, or soft folds of silk or velvet fastening with a

buckle or two large buttons in front or with a button at either side. The ripple piece is nearly plain in front, fuller on the hips and in gird effect at the back, needing a stiff underlining. The piece is five inches deep and must be perfectly lined, as the under part shows. The basque comes the center back seam only, and the fronts may be like an open jacket over a full vest, or the plastron and vest effects are applied outside of the basque. The only double breasted designs seen are the tailor made gowns, worn with a chemise and having a rolling collar and revers.

The fashionable coat waists have the full basque effect, but this is cut in one with the remainder of the garment, and the skirt part of a Louis XVI coat is from 2 to 7 inches deep. These open straight down over an elaborate vest, and may be cut with an Eton front and long back. They have full or flat hips, always a full back, and the skirt part may begin at the center front or at the hips. This part is cut according to the wearer, so careful fitting is required. Very large pointed or square revers are worn on the coats, immense sleeves, crush collars, sometimes turn-back ganget cuffs and a large cravat bow or jabot. Such a coat will be correct for wear with a wool skirt, or of figured colored silk with a black silk or wool skirt. They are worn by ladies of all ages and of every form.—Emma M. Hooper in Ladies' Home Journal.

Beneficial to Australia.

Mrs. Henry Hurst, an Australian author, in some recent remarks on the effect of woman's franchise in New Zealand said among other things:

"Men of all shades of political opinion and at daggers drawn on other points agree that the granting of the vote to women has been beneficial to the colony."

"Mr. Seddon, the premier, has said: 'Women's influence at the elections and since has been productive of much good. They are looking well after the interests of the children, the mitigation of the liquor traffic, the alteration of the jail regulations with regard to having female inspectors for women and other vital affairs.'"

"The leader of the opposition believed that the women had done much to purify the house and that their influence would yet be more beneficial in the same direction."

"The consensus of colonial opinion appears to be that the express tendency of the female vote is in favor of promoting the solid happiness of the individuals who compose the community."

"Domestic life has not been disturbed or even ruffled by the female portion of the household possessing votes, and the women in the exercise of their new privileges have shown sound judgment, great discretion and no small amount of independent thought."

"In several instances women have headed the class lists in Melbourne university. Out of nine scholarships one was divided between a lady and gentleman, two were carried off by women, and of two bachelor of science degrees one was taken by a woman, another lady gaining one of the two degrees of master of science."—New York World.

A Missionary Heroine.

For over a year a slender American girl has faced death almost daily at the American mission in Oorfa, an outstation of Aintab, Turkey. She is Miss Corinna Shattuck, who has for years been engaged in missionary work in various parts of the sultan's domain. On Jan. 1 there was an attack by an angry mob on the American mission at Oorfa. Through the heroism, however, of six Turkish officials, who, after a vain endeavor to reason with the mob, finally scattered them by firing upon them, Miss Shattuck was saved.

Miss Shattuck, a native of Louisville, left her home when 24 years old to devote her life to missionary work in Turkey. Under the American board, a Congregational missionary society, she went to Aintab and became principal of the young women's school, afterward transferring her labors to Adana, Kossab, Marash and Oorfa. For some time previous to 1895 Miss Shattuck had a companion in Miss Mellinger; but, owing to ill health, the latter was obliged to leave her, and Miss Shattuck has been bravely working on alone.

"She deserves a great deal of credit for her pluck and perseverance," said Dr. C. C. Oregon, who is at the head of the board in New York, in speaking of Miss Shattuck. "She is slight and frail to the last degree, but has staid through the killing in Oorfa of 3,500 persons. As soon as it is safe we will send a man and his wife to join her."—Boston Transcript.

A Woman's Rights Decisions.

The supreme court of Arkansas has lately rendered an important decision. Mrs. Nichols, a married woman, borrowed money and gave a note for it. The question was whether a personal judgment could be returned against her upon suit to recover such money. The court said:

"Our conclusion is that a married woman has under our law the right to purchase personal property or borrow money for her separate use and that the property purchased or money borrowed becomes her separate property. Her contract to pay for the same is a contract in reference to her separate property and creates a personal obligation, valid in law and in equity, and this without regard to whether she owned any additional property or not."

To hold otherwise would be to say that, although the statute gives a married woman the right to acquire and hold property, yet that if she undertakes to acquire it by contract the law will treat such contract as of no validity. Under that view a married woman who had no separate estate could at law make no valid contract for the acquisition of property, however desirable and beneficial the ownership of it might be to her. We, therefore, hold that she has the right to acquire property by contract and that her contract for the pay-

ment of the purchase price of such property is valid and binding upon her."

The Passing of the Skirt.

Nothing earthly is immutable. Fashion changes and ideas with it—or perhaps ideas change and fashion with them. Every age, to a certain degree, accepts its mode of life and mode of dress to its necessities. We have no more reason to suppose that woman will always wear the skirt than had the ancient Greeks for imagining that men would always wear the graceful draperies of their day. The skirt is neither sacred nor eternal, and woman will no more always wear it than she will always wear crimson or balloon sleeves. More and more is reason entering into the causes of the changes of fashion, but even the passing of the skirt and the going of the corset will not herald the dawn of the era of wholly rational dress, for woman will yet have prevailing modes in bloomers and the very latest things in bodice waists. This is well, for otherwise many worthy and excellent reformers would find their text and their occupation gone, and their case would be pitiable.

In the meantime, while the skirt and the bloomers are waging that inevitable struggle for existence that comes sometimes to all things of earthly origin, you can wear what you please—only be sure that it is what you please—and pray for the survival of the fittest.—Womankind.

Mary Anderson Declines Principally Offer.

Offers previously in their nature are repeatedly being made to Mary Anderson de Navarro to return to the stage, writes Edward W. Bok in The Ladies' Home Journal, but she turns a deaf ear to them all. Only the past summer overtures came to her from an American manager which insured a big fortune if she would consent to return to the stage for a brief period. There were six figures in the amount stipulated, and the first figure was equal to the total number of numerals in the whole amount. But it had no effect upon her. She turned away from it easily and without an effort. "No," she said, "I am through with the stage." And that was all.

Working Women's Clubs.

Greek letter clubs are the latest development of Chicago philanthropy. Mrs. John W. Thomas and Miss Clara V. Goodell are the prime movers in the work and have already established two clubs, the Alpha and the Beta, where self-supporting women can live at cost. Mrs. Thomas makes her home at the Alpha and Miss Goodell at the Beta. The membership already numbers 2,000, and it is hoped to extend the work until the entire alphabet is exhausted. The object is to supply good homes at little cost and to provide maintenance for members when out of work. Music, dancing and dressmaking lessons are put within easy reach.—Chicago Letter.

Woman President of Mining Exchange.

A woman's mining exchange is being organized in Denver which will be in operation very shortly. Mrs. Helen Miller will be the president. She is a stockbroker, who has among her patrons almost as many men as women, and she is regarded as shrewd and far-seeing in business. Mrs. Miller is tall, fine looking, well groomed and has affable manners, and here, where stock gambling is regarded as a legitimate pursuit, she holds the respect of the commonwealth. There are a number of women following the same calling, but Mrs. Miller has the reputation of being the "biggest hustler" in Denver.—Denver Letter.

Women as Citizens.

The London Woman's Signal publishes a sermon by Rev. S. Farrington at Channing hall, Richmond, on "Women as Citizens." It is a strong plea for the extension of "motherly activity" along all lines of civic duty. "Depend upon it," he said, "much of our public work will be overlooked, half done or not done at all till women devote themselves to it and recognize it as theirs. The work needs women. Women need the work."

Up to Date Marking.

If you wish to mark your silver, china and glass towels in the very latest fashion, you will mark on the former two crossed spoons, on the glass towels a wineglass or tumbler and on the china towels the outlines of a cup. These outlines are then worked in stem stretch, and even the most ignorant of English cannot mistake their use.

Architecture.

Architecture is a subject in which women are becoming rapidly interested, and it seems but reasonable that as women manage homes they should build them better than men, whose acquaintance with a house rarely extends to its machinery—that is, the kitchen, laundry and cellar.

A recent guest at Bryn Mawr was Miss Emily James Smith, dean of Barnard college. Miss Smith's occasional visits to her alma mater are much esteemed, the college being justly proud of its distinguished daughter.

An agitation in Brattleboro, Vt., for the formation of a woman's club brings out the noteworthy fact in these days of such organizations that the Green Mountain State has only one woman's club within her borders.

Lieutenant Andre, the Swedish officer who is to attempt to go to the north pole in a balloon, has received applications from more than a score of Swedish women who wish to join him in his perilous trip.

Last year 23 women voted for the school committee in Westfield, Mass. This year 89 women voted. Mrs. Bruce was elected on the committee.

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An Office Girl.

The new woman, having had a shy at almost everything that's going nowadays, has concluded that she wants to be an office girl. Office girl is the correct term, but it is difficult to get used to it all at once. One day last week the latest of the leviathan office buildings of our city was honored by a little visitor who popped its golden head into the door of every one of its many offices.

"Please, sir," said the head, "do you want an office girl?"

The head was apparently that of an 11 or 12 year old, and the sturdy little boy that supported it—and remained outside the door—was trimly clad in a short frock. To every office, including those on the steepest floor, went the little head, and everywhere it asked the same question, "Do you want an office girl?" When last seen, it was leaving the building wearing an expression of countenance which might be interpreted, "Nil desperandum; this is only one office building; there are others."—Philadelphia Times.

An Affidavit.

This is to certify that on May 11th, I walked to Melick's drug store on a pair of crutches and bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm for inflammatory rheumatism, which had crippled me up. After using three bottles I am completely cured. I can cheerfully recommend it.—Charles H. Wetzel, Sunbury, Pa.

Sworn and subscribed to before me on August 10, 1894.—Walter Shipman, J. P.

For sale at 50 cents per bottle by Melville Bros., corner Main and High streets and C. W. Heister, 68 Public Square.

Administrator's Sale.

The undersigned, administrator of the estate of Mrs. J. Taylor, deceased, receives sealed bids until Monday, April 21st, for the following real estate, to-wit: One hundred and two (102) acres of land in the city of Lima, property is appraised at \$7,500. Terms of sale—one-third cash; one-third in six months and one-third in twelve months. Address G. W. HULL, Toledo, O.

Notice of Dissolution.

This is to certify that the partnership heretofore existing between J. E. DeVoe and Charles DeVoe, under the style and name of DeVoe Bros., has this day been dissolved, Charles DeVoe retiring. J. E. DeVoe will continue the business, and assume all liabilities and receive all accounts said firm. Respectfully, J. E. DeVoe, 4-15-94.

THE "OUT OF DATE" COUPLE.

We are "so out of date," they say,
Ned and I;
We love in an old-fashioned way,
Loving since long ago.
His eyes I saw his helpmate's time
In every thing,
And I—well, I will own to you
He is my king.

We met in no romantic way
"Twice 'glow and glow,"
He wooed me on a winter day
And in a room.
Yet, through life's hours of stress and
strain,
When griefs befall,
Love kept our small home cozy warm,
And all was well.

Ned thinks no woman like his wife—
But let that pass;
It elaps we view the dual life
Through a double glass:
Even if the prospect be not bright,
We hold it true.
The heaviest burdens may grow light
When shared by two.

Upon the golden scroll of fame,
Embossed fair,
I cannot hope to read the name
I proudly bear.
But, happy in their even flow,
The years glide by.
We are behind the times, we know,
Ned and I.

—Chambers' Journal

THE WILL.

I knew this tall young man who was called Rene de Bourneval. He was very agreeable in company, although a trifle sad, seeming to dislike everything, very skeptical—a formal and biting skepticism—clever especially in laying bare in one word worldly hypocrisies. He often repeated, "There are no virtuous men—or at least they are only relatively temperate."

He had two brothers whom he did not visit, the M.M. de Courcils. On account of their different names I believed him the offspring of a second marriage. I had been told on several occasions that a strange story had happened in this family, but no details had been given me.

This man being entirely agreeable to me, we were soon good friends. One evening, after I had dined with him, I accidentally asked him, "Were you the offspring of your mother's first or second marriage?" I saw him turn slightly pale, then blush, and he remained some seconds without speaking, visibly embarrassed. Then he smiled in a sweet and melancholy manner which was peculiar to him and said: "My dear friend, if it does not tire you, I will give you some singular details of my parentage. I know you for an intelligent man. I do not therefore fear your friendship for me will suffer, and if it should suffer I should no longer care to have you for a friend."

"My mother, Mme. de Courcils, was a poor, timid little woman, whom her husband had married for her fortune. Her whole life was a martyrdom. Affectionate, fearful, delicate, she was ill-treated without intermission by him who should have been my father, one of those chaps who are called country gentlemen. After they had been married a month he lived with a servant. He had beside for mistresses the wives and daughters of his tenants. This did not prevent his wife from having two children, including myself, three should be reckoned. My mother said nothing. She lived in that ever noisy house like those little mice that slip in and out under the furniture. Effacing herself, flying away, trembling, she looked at people with her clear, restless eyes, which, always in motion, looked scared with the fear that never left them. She was still pretty, very pretty—very fair with a grayish fairness, a timid fairness, as if her hair had faded a little from her incessant fear."

"Among the friends of M. de Courcils who came frequently to the castle was an old cavalry officer, a widower, a formidable man, tender and violent, capable of the most energetic resolves—M. de Bourneval, whose name I bear. He was a tall, spare fellow, with a heavy black mustache. I resemble him very much. This man had read and thought far more than those of his class. His great-grandfather had been a lover of Jean Jacques Rousseau, and it was said that he had inherited something from this connection of his ancestor. He knew by heart the 'Social Contract,' the 'New Heloise' and all those philosophical books which have prepared beforehand the future overthrow of our ancient customs, of our prejudices, our obsolete laws, our foolish morals."

"He loved my mother, it appeared, and was loved by her. This affair was kept so secret that no one suspected it. The poor woman, sad and abandoned, clung to him desperately and imbibed all his habits of thought, theories of free opinion, boldness of independent love; but, as she was so timid that she never dared speak loudly, all of it was driven back, condensed, pressed into her heart, which was never opened."

"My two brothers were harsh toward her, like my father—did not caress her—and, accustomed to seeing that she did not count for anything in the house, treated her almost like a servant."

"I was the only one of her sons who really loved her and whom she loved. 'She did. I was then 18. I ought to add, in order that you may understand what is to follow, that, by legal advice, her husband had been provided for, and she had retained her own separate estate, having, thanks to the artifices of the law and the intelligent devotion of a notary, preserved the right to make her will as she pleased."

"We were, therefore, informed by this notary that a will existed and invited to be present at its reading."

"I recall it as if it were yesterday. It was a grand, dramatic, burlesque, surprising scene, called forth by the posthumous revolt of the dead woman, by this cry of liberty, this claim from the depths of the grave of this martyr crushed by our morals during her life. From her shut coffin she threw a despairing appeal toward independence."

"He who believed himself my father, a stout, plethoric man, who put one in mind of a butcher, and my brother,

two robust fellows of 20 and 25, waited tranquilly on the scene. M. de Bourneval, who was invited to be present, entered and placed himself behind me. His frock coat was buttoned tightly. He was very pale, and he often nibbled his mustache, now a little grizzled. He doubtless expected what was coming."

"The notary double locked the door and commenced the reading, after having in our presence broken the red wax seal of the envelope, of whose contents he was ignorant."

Suddenly my friend was silent, rose and took from his secretary an old paper, unfolded it, kissed it for a long time and resumed: 'Here is the last will of my dearly loved mother:'

"I, the undersigned, Anne-Catherine Genevieve Mathilde de Croixne, lawful wife of Jean Leopold Joseph Goutraud de Courcils, being of sound mind and body, do hereby make my last will."

"I ask forgiveness of God above, and then of my dear son Rene, for what I am now going to do. I think my child is stout hearted enough to understand and to forgive me. I have suffered all my life. I was married from considerations of advantage and was afterward despised, disregarded, oppressed and deceived unceasingly by my husband."

"I forgive him, but I owe him nothing."

"My elder sons have not loved me, have not caressed me, have scarcely treated me like a mother."

"I have been to them during my life all I should have been; after my death I no longer owe them anything. The ties of blood do not continue without the constant, sacred affection of each day. An ungrateful son is less than a stranger. He is a culprit, for he has not the right to be indifferent to his mother."

"I have always trembled before mankind, before their iniquitous laws, their inhuman customs, their infamous prejudices. Before God, I no longer fear. Dead, I throw away from me that shameful hypocrisy; I dare to utter my thoughts and to openly avow the secrets of my heart."

"Therefore I leave in trust the whole of that part of my fortune of which the law permits me to dispose to my dear loved son, Pierre Goutraud de Bourneval, afterward to revert to our dear son Rene."

(This will has been drawn up in addition, in a more formal manner, by a notary.)

"And before the Supreme Judge, who hears me, I declare that I should have cursed heaven and my existence if I had not found the deep, devoted, tender, unshaken affection of my lover, if I had not learned in his arms that the Creator has made human beings to love, to sustain and to console each other and to weep together in hours of bitterness."

"My two eldest sons are the children of M. de Courcils. Rene alone owes his existence to M. de Bourneval. I pray the ruler of mankind and their destinies to place the father and son above social prejudices, to make them love each other until their death, and love me still in my grave."

"Such are my last thoughts and my last desire."

"M. de Courcils had risen. He cried, 'That is the will of a mad woman.' Then M. de Bourneval stepped forward and declared in a loud and decisive voice: 'I, Simon de Bourneval, declare that this writing contains only the strict truth. I am ready to prove it by letters in my possession.'"

"Then M. de Courcils walked toward him. I thought they would seize each other by the collar. There they stood, both tall, the one stout, the other spare, quivering. The husband of my mother stammering and frightened, 'You are a villain!' The other said, in a dry, vigorous tone: 'We will meet in another place, monsieur. I should have affronted and provoked you a long time ago if I had not valued above all else the tranquillity during her life of the poor woman whom you have made to suffer so much.'"

"Then he turned toward me: 'You are my son. Will you come with me? I have not the right to take you away, but I will take you if you wish to accompany me.'"

"I pressed his hand without answering. Indeed, I was almost overcome."

"Two days later M. de Bourneval killed M. de Courcils in a duel. My brothers, afraid of a frightful scandal, kept silence. I transferred to them and they accepted their share of the fortune left by my mother."

"I took the name of my true father, renouncing that which the law gave and which was not mine."

"M. de Bourneval died five years ago. I have not yet found consolation for my grief."

He rose, took several steps, and, placing himself in front of me, said: 'Well, I say that my mother's will was one of the most beautiful, most loyal, grandest things a woman could accomplish. Is not that your opinion?'

I stretched out both hands to him, 'Yes, surely, my friend.'—Guy de Maupassant.

New Orleans Tennis Courts.

"I was walking on St. Charles avenue this morning," said a northern visitor, "and I saw several tennis courts, the lines of which were marked out on the sward by grass of a different color from that which carpeted the court. I made inquiries about the matter and found that nearly all the New Orleans tennis grounds were marked off in that way. It is a very pretty idea, and one that I have never seen anywhere else."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

A Prelate's Eloquence.

In 1104, when Henry I was in Normandy, a prelate named Serlo preached so eloquently against the fashion of wearing long hair that the monarch and his courtiers were moved to tears.

Taking advantage of the impression he had produced, the enthusiastic prelate whipped a pair of scissors out of his sleeves and cropped the whole congregation.—London Fun.

TURKEY BREEDING.

A Little Experience That Produced Satisfactory Results.

"I breed the Bronze," says a writer in 'The Fancier's Review,' "as they are my favorites. In the fall I select the very best hens I have, mate them to a Tom, either one I've raised for the purpose or have purchased to breed from. I think the best way is to select a number of young hens, mate them with the best Tom you can afford and keep them as breeders for three or four years without making any change, unless it is to purchase more hens. In this way you save the extra expense of purchasing a male every year. Besides it is all the better for your flock. The selection of the best and strongest cannot be emphasized too much, for, if you would have healthy and vigorous turkeys, you must have the same quality in your breeding stock."

If new blood were brought into the flock every year, there would be fewer complaints of young turkeys being delicate. The truth is that these birds have been too much inbred. The easiest and quickest remedy for the trouble is the introduction of wild blood, which gives the desired stamina."

When the young turkeys are first hatched, they, like chickens, require no food for the first 24 hours, but the mother should be given a little corn to keep her on the nest. Afterward feed them some milk curd squeezed dry or bread dipped but not soaked in milk or slightly moistened with egg. Later on they may be given scraps from the house, wheat, corn, bread and green bone. Always feed on a clean board and allow them as much as they will eat up clean in the space of a quarter of an hour. For the first three weeks they should be fed three or four times a day; afterward three times daily will suffice. Of course they must be supplied with plenty of water and gravel."

As soon as the turkeys seem strong and the weather is bright and warm they may be allowed to ramble about, but must be got home at night or in case of a shower, as damp is extremely fatal to them. After they reach the stage known as "shooting the red" they are hardy and need but little attention. But for the first three months they need to be well cared for."

Lice are as fatal as damp to young birds. As soon as they are hatched the hen should be examined for lice, which are certain to be transmitted to the young ones. The large lice will be found on the head, neck, under the wing and also on the flight feathers—around the quills on the wing. A little oil or melted grease should be well rubbed in and the hen thoroughly dusted with snuff or insect powder. The same should be done to the turkeys when they are about a week old and a drop of oil rubbed on their heads. This should be applied with discretion, as too much grease is fatal to them."

Turkeys are great foragers and cannot be kept in confinement. After the first three months they should be given absolute freedom. About a month before marketing they should be fed liberally with as much corn as they will eat. Old corn should always be used, as green corn is indigestible and often retards fattening, if it does not cause actual loss."

THE SEX OF EGGS.

An Old Error Regarding the Germ Disposed.

The following clipping, says a writer in Farm Poultry, I have taken from The Country Gentleman, on the way of telling the sex of eggs before incubation:

I wish to thank S. G. C., who on page 612, Country Gentleman of 1893, advised me regarding the selection of eggs for hatching pullets. For the past two years I have had a few pullets to sell, instead of being obliged to buy—e.g., in a flock of 20 chickens hatched from eggs thus selected there were 16 pullets, while in a brood of 13, where the hen had her nest, there are but 4.

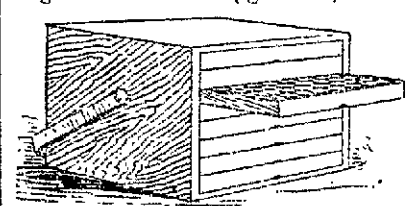
It seems odd that the people who read the papers cannot learn that the germ of the egg is contained in the yolk, and is even smaller than a pin head before incubation starts. Hence unless one can define the organs of the germ, it is impossible to tell whether it is male or female."

To look at the shell or the air bubble in the large end—I believe some people claim to tell that way—is like looking at the outside of a barn to tell what kind of a horse is in it. I have been breeding poultry for 11 years, and during that time have experimented in all branches of the business, but have yet to find a sure way of hatching pullets or cockerels as the fancy seized me."

There is one thing I have tried and found nearly always successful, and that is to pick out a pen of vigorous, healthy pullets, not over a year old, and mate them to a 2-year-old cock who has been with hens before. At the beginning and up to the middle of the season pullets will predominate from eggs laid by this pen, for the pullets being more vigorous than the old cock, would transmit their characteristics to their young. Of course there are "ifs" in this method, but not nearly so many as are in the above clipping."

A Convenient Eggbox.

Where one markets his eggs to private customers, or at the stores even, the egg-box shown herewith will be found very serviceable. It is a box about half the length of a 30 dozen egg carrier, with a



handle and fitted drawers, each drawer being fitted with pasteboard egg fillers. A drawer of eggs can thus be taken from the box and carried into the customer's house, the box itself being left in the wagon. The bottom of each drawer may well be covered with coarse bran, and the pasteboard fillers placed on these, thus providing a soft resting place for each egg.

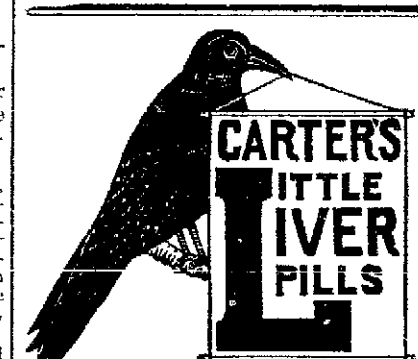
Twenty Million Brilliant Stars.

Within the 24 hours which elapse from one sunrise until another, the astronomers of the world have not less than 20,000,000 stars within the range of their powerful telescopes, which today point out in all directions toward the "blue canopy" which overhangs the earth. These bright shining, silvery disks are not infinitesimal points of light, as they were formerly supposed to be, but each is now known to be a burning central sun, surrounded within its own colony of planets, each of these 20,000,000 "communities of the skies" having its allotted part to perform in the economy of nature. When we consider that the nearest of these is 250,000 times as far away from our own light and life giver, and that each of these planetary colonies is from 10,000,000 to 500,000,000 miles from some other family of swinging worlds, we begin to get some slight conception of the grandeur and magnificence of the universe. Another thought in this connection: Each of these 20,000,000 suns is known to be moving somewhere through illimitable space, taking its brood of world with it, some of them traveling upward of 200,000 miles an hour. It is such stupendous facts as these that have caused the writer to often remark that no brain can conceive of what is meant by "space," "universe" or "eternity."

Some Sportsmen's Yarns.

Most persons when they hear a naturalist tell about peculiar doings by birds, animals or reptiles grin and ask about big fish. One tale, which no one but naturalists seem to believe, was told in The Forest and Stream recently by Allen Chamberlain. He says he heard a cry down in Florida such as a distressed frog makes and found that a black snake was swallowing a frog. When the frog was out of sight, the snake was shot through the head and the frog was liberated. At first it was stupefied, but was soon as lively as ever. Within 20 years the same paper has recorded at least a score of just such instances, reported by as many individuals, who gave their real names and addresses, and who declared they had seen the stupefied toad or frog come to as from a trance, hop about as if dazed, and at last go away as lively as ever."

S. D. Kendall, in The Forest and Stream for June, 1892, told about a mother quail which in trying to protect her young got within reach of a rattlesnake. The snake was killed in the act of swallowing the bird. When released, the bird was for some time stupefied, but after awhile recovered enough to stagger off. On the next day she was all right and caring for her chicks.—New York Sun.



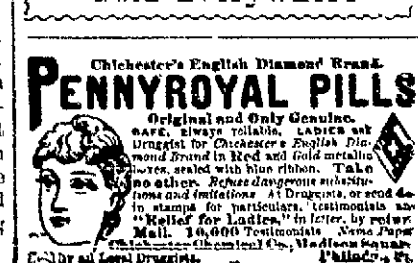
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ABOUT PEOPLE.

Who They Are, Where They Have Been and are Going.

Miss Fugh, of Ottawa, was Lima to-day.

J. E. O'Connor spent Sunday in Dayton.

Judge Price went to Piqua this morning.

W. T. Roberts was in Cincinnati yesterday.

Chas. B. Adgate was in Cincinnati yesterday.

Billy Strickler spent Sunday at Hamilton.

Judge Sheets, of Ottawa, was in Lima yesterday.

Clyde Roberts spent Sunday at Columbus Grove.

Frank Miller and Bert James were at Sidney yesterday.

I. Hancars, of Kenton, visited friends in the city yesterday.

Miss Minerva Musselman spent Sunday with relatives in Crestline.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harper, of Ottawa, spent Sunday in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Bolson, of Delphos, were in the city, Saturday.

W. C. Baker, clerk in Shamahan's grocery, spent Sunday at his home in Ada.

Clifton Thompson, of Ottawa, spent Sunday with friends in the city.

G. P. Cumberland, of south Union street, spent Sunday with friends in Sidney.

Miss Carrie Carter and Katie Reel spent Sunday with friends in Wapakoneta.

Miss Edna Meins, of Wapakoneta, spent Sunday with Miss Margaret Holdridge.

Kent Hughes returned to Ann Arbor this morning to resume his school work.

Mrs. Chas. Grosvenor, of 666 north Elizabeth street, is visiting her parents, in Piqua.

Max Buck and James Sullivan, Jr., were guests of the former's relatives in Cincinnati, yesterday.

Mr. Charles Edwards, of Euella, visited his mother, Mrs. Granton, of east Market street, yesterday.

G. W. A. Snyder, traveling auditor for the Findlay, Fort Wayne & Western railroad, spent Sunday in Lima.

Mrs. Jno. Berkshire and daughter, of 325 north Elizabeth street, are the guests of her mother, Mrs. Harmon, in Sidney.

Alf Chaney, DeWitt Richmond and Will Langan were among those who attended the ball game at Cincinnati yesterday.

John Schuster, of the *Wahrheitsfreund*, a German Catholic newspaper of Cincinnati, was the guest of H. F. Vorkamp, yesterday.

F. H. Banks, of the South Side, spent Sunday in McComb, the guest of his wife, who has been visiting there for several days.

TALKS OF THE TOWN.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Will Hoover, of west Spring street—a charming daughter.

Hausen R. Allen and Sarah Grove were granted a marriage license, Saturday evening.

August Schafer has removed from 613 west Wayne street, to 411 north Tanner street.

James H. Dyson and Anna S. Daniels and William Miller and Bell,

Earnest received marriage licenses this morning.

The commissioners of Van Wert, are in Lima to-day, holding a joint hearing of the Schwinen joint ditch.

Fred A. Hagerman and Fred H. Bauliss have formed a partnership, and opened up a barber shop at 708 south Main street.

Prof. Moon, teacher of penmanship in our schools, has been selected as one of the regular instructors in the Anglia county teachers' institute, this summer.

The marriage of a printer who lives on south Tanner street, and a young lady living in the extreme west end of the city, will occur, it is said, Wednesday evening.

Last Friday was the hottest seventeenth day of April recorded in history, and next Thursday will witness the hottest minstrel show the people of this city have ever seen.

W. B. Leedom will leave Wednesday morning for Sandusky City, where he will enter the Soldiers' Home.

The barber firm of Frees & Apple, of south Main street, has changed hands, W. A. Frees buying out his partner, Clarence Apple. Mr. Frees will conduct the business alone.

The horse of J. J. Griffiths hitched to a delivery wagon, was left untied on east North street this morning, and becoming frightened, ran away. It was stopped over near the C. & D. depot before any damage was done.

The horse of Lon Bowers became frightened at a lap robe yesterday afternoon and ran from the French farm to town, a distance of about four miles. The buggy struck a telephone pole in front of Mr. Brother-ton's house and was badly broken. No one was hurt.

Carroll & Cooney, the dry goods merchants, furnished all the carpets and tapestries, the oil cloths, table linens, towels, etc., which were put into Senator Brice's car, the Argonaut, which was overhauled, repainted and refurnished in the L. E. & W. shops here during the past fortnight. In its present condition it is more handsome than it has ever been.

READY FOR A FEAST.

A Tramp Takes Possession of Thos. McCary's Barn.

Yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock Thomas McCary discovered a tramp in the barn at the rear of his residence on west Spring street, and summoned Policeman Furry to have the intruder removed.

The fellow had cut a pair of leather hinges from a gate leading into Mr. McCary's chicken yard, captured a chicken and gathered all the eggs he could find. He then pulled the wooden bars from a window in the barn to effect an entrance. After getting inside the barn he killed the chicken, as if preparing for a meal later on. A lot of harness had been removed from the harness racks, as if he expected to take it with him when he left.

Policeman Furry took the fellow to the police station, where he gave his names as Wm. Hall and claimed to be from Colorado.

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SALOONS WERE CLOSED.

Yesterday the Driest Day in Lima for Many Years.

Mayor Baxter Will Announce the Policy of His Administration Before the City Council To-night.

Mayor Baxter has not as yet issued any special orders to the police force, but Lima was the driest city yesterday it has been for years. No instructions were issued requiring the patrolmen to see that liquor was not sold, but nevertheless the drinks that were sold in this city were very few. The policy of the new administration had not been laid down, but the very dignity of the new municipal government commanded the respect of even the oldest Sunday law violators.

The police seemed to consider it their duty to be on the alert with more energy, and every saloon was carefully watched. One saloon keeper on the South Side permitted a gang to slip quietly into his barroom, and one of the patrolmen notified him to appear before the mayor. He appeared to day, but there was no charge made against him, and he was allowed to go for the present.

What the policy of Dr. Baxter will be will be made public to-night. The new executive will address the city council in person after the new organization is formed. Recent mayors of this city did not do this but nevertheless it is a duty of the mayor, who by virtue of his office is a member of the city council, and his policy should be formally laid down before the city council at the beginning of his term. As to appointments, Dr. Baxter would not to-day state anything for the public, but the members of the Democratic party may rest assured that the mayor will make appointments that will be a credit to the party and to the administration.

A MYSTERY.

Is the Death of L. E. Stanton, of Deshler.

Body Found Along the C. & D. by Engineer Warner—His Head Badly Crushed.

Lowell E. Stanton was found dead a short distance south of Deshler, along the C. & D., Saturday evening. His body was discovered by engineer Warner, who was taking a through freight, No. 94, north. He did not stop his train, but when he reached Deshler he informed the railroad officials at this place, who in turn informed the police authorities at Deshler, who found the dead man in the place reported. He was lying about six feet from the tracks, and had the side of his head badly crushed. No other place on his body showed any marks of violence, and his clothes were not torn or soiled. No engineer that had passed that place during the evening could give any information as to the accident.

The dead man showed signs of intoxication, and it was thought that he, in a semi-conscious state, had sat down on a tie, and the cylinder of an approaching engine struck him on the head and killed him.

All the engines were thoroughly examined, but no blood marks could be found, and it is not known whether he was murdered or killed by some train.

He was a well known farmer, a married man, and was thirty-nine years old, and lived a short distance south of Deshler.

During the evening he had considerable money with him, and is reported to have been drinking at Deshler. It is thought that perhaps he was waylaid by some persons with the object of robbery.

A coroner's inquest was to have been held some time to day.

There will be 60 Performers

In the Y. M. C. A. athletic carnival to be held Tuesday evening, the 23rd inst., in Faurot's opera house. The program will be the best of its kind and new features will be introduced. There will be fun and frolic—grandeur—in fact, everything that is clean, to satisfy the taste of the people. Single admission reserved seat, 35 cents.

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STREET TALK.

Isaac Holmes, mayor-elect of Columbus Grove, will be installed into his new office this evening. He will be the first Democrat in the history of the town to have been honored with that position. Mr. Holmes is a native of this state and nearly 70 years old. In his early days he went to Putnam county, where he taught school part of the time. Senator C. S. Brice was at one time one of his pupils.

Met suave Gen. Ben LeFevre, Saturday night. The General was on the way to his magnificent farm, ten miles east of Sidney, where he will rest for two weeks from his arduous duties with the legal department of the Erie Railway Co. In talking over the political situation, he expressed himself strongly in favor of

the free and unlimited coinage of silver, and predicted that if a platform, conforming to his views, was adopted at Chicago, the election of a Democratic president was absolutely certain. When asked if he had any desire to return to return to political life, he answered in the negative. He will, however, while here, talk the situation over with Bill Shine and George Marshall.

A DRY SUNDAY.

No Saloons Open Yesterday—A Marked Contrast to Smiley's Administration.

Yesterday was the first Sunday in years when the saloons of Lima were actually closed. For the past dozen years, and notably during the past two years, saloons have had their back doors open, and have done a thriving business on the day that people are supposed to devote to church-going. During the Smiley regime it was notorious that Sunday selling seemed to have official protection. But yesterday every place was closed. If people who were accustomed to a Sunday nip got dry they were only able to quench their thirst with soft drinks, or go dry. The change from a loose and corrupt administration to a clean one, in which the laws will be enforced without discrimination, is a welcome relief from that disgraceful condition of affairs which existed under the ex-treasurer's term of office.

More Small Pox.

Two of the young children, aged about 4 and 6 years respectively, of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stump, were taken ill with small pox to-day. They were vaccinated when their father was first stricken with the disease a couple of weeks ago, however, and it is thought their cases will be mild.

Unfortunate People

Are they who are afflicted with pimples, boils, carbuncles, running sores, ulcers, scrofula, cancerous or syphilitic affections, or any blood taint whatsoever; and do not try a 50c bottle of Foley's Sarsaparilla. H. F. Vorkamp, u. e. cor. Main and North sts.

New and second hand bicycles at Hauenstein & Co.

Hay for Sale.

I have for sale twenty-five tons of good timothy hay in Sugar Creek township. REUBEN HARFSTER. 9-2t

Screen doors at Hauenstein & Co. 8-6t

TAKEN TO UNION CITY.

Two Pan Handle Railroad Detectives Take Charge of Lee Cutler.

He and His Brother and Two Other Men are Charged With Robbing Freight Cars—Two Other Arrests.

Lee Cutler, who was arrested by policeman Boney last Thursday night, with some tobacco, suspenders and hose in his possession that was thought to have been stolen, was taken to Union City, Ind., to day, to answer to a charge of stealing the goods from freight cars on the Pan Handle railroad.

M. F. Bradley, chief detective for the P. C. & St. L. railroad, and detective Briggs, of the same road, arrived here at 8:35 o'clock this morning and called at the police station. Detective Bradley stated that on the night of April 10th a car was robbed at Union City, and suspenders and hose were among the articles taken. On the following night another car, on the Ohio side of the city, was broken into and some tobacco taken, and the articles that Cutler had are thought to have been taken from these two cars.

Bert Cutler, a brother of the man man arrested here, was captured at Greenville, O., and a man named Geo. Folk was arrested at Winchester, Ind., for the same robbery. The two detectives are still trying to locate another man, who is also suspected of having been implicated in the robberies.

Detectives Bradley and Briggs left for Union City with their prisoner at 9:20 o'clock this morning, on the C. & D.

UNAVOIDABLE.

Owing to circumstances over which we have no control, our store will be open evenings from this time on. We desire to be fully understood in this matter. We have been, and are now, in favor of early closing, in justice to our employees (as well as ourselves) who are human and should have the same consideration that all laboring men are entitled to. THE W. K. BOONE CO. 0 2t

Fox Leads—Others Follow.

Fox's XXXX Square Water Butter Crackers are being imitated by competitors. Do not be deceived by these inferior goods, but insist upon getting the genuine and original XXXX, and see that the imprint "Fox" is on the cracker. A trial will convince you of the superiority over all others.

UMBRELLA OPPORTUNITIES!

Such as were never before you, are within your reach at this store. We have made a purchase of several hundred Umbrellas at quite a saving in price, and we are turning them over to our customers with a like saving to them.

Nice Gloria Silk Umbrellas with a variety of natural wood and fancy handles, such as you are in the habit of paying up to \$1.50 for. In this remarkable sale at

Superior Twill Gloria Silk Umbrellas, a nice assortment of handles in natural wood and fancy patterns, goods that sell ordinarily up to \$2.00. In this remarkable sale at

Extra quality Taffeta Silk Umbrellas, steel rod and tight rolling, silk cover and tassels, all choice imported natural wood handles, as nice an Umbrella as you have ever seen at \$3.00. In this remarkable sale at

The Choicest Line of Parasols in Lima.

The Largest Collection of Shirt Waists.

Feldmann & Co.
218 N. MAIN ST.

Lima Phone No. 345.

CARROLL & COONEY

Merry Doings

The past week among the Carpets and Draperies. There was more this week. Housecleaning time is here. The old Carpets must come up. Shall they be replaced with new ones is now the question. Let us help to answer it. We are selling Carpets so cheap that it is hardly pay you to put down the old Carpet when you can get a new one for so small an outlay. We are making a strong bid for your trade. You are selling Carpets at prices that cannot be met by other houses here. Nor do our low prices mean inferior qualities. No matter how low the price, WE GUARANTEE THE WEARING QUALITY OF EVERY CARPET WE SELL. Our stock embraces every worthy weave from rag to velvet. Our stock of Matting is complete. We have plush and fancy, jointless, cord-warp, fact, everything in Matting. They are made of good, live straw; they are flexible and don't scuff like poorer, dried-out sorts. What a clean, comfortable floor covering they make and so cheap, too.

We have an exceptionally choice collection of Rugs.

Our Lace Curtain department does not fail to interest anyone needing Curtains. We show patterns in Lace Curtains not obtainable elsewhere.

We make and hang Window Blinds. Odd blinds as low as 10c close out.

Nazareth Waists

Are sold in nearly every Goods store at 25c. There is no store here that has the facilities buying that we have. We sell Nazareth Waists at 15c. This is what other stores have to pay for them.

Muslin

Underwear.

Umbrella Drawers at 59c pair. Moreen Skirts at \$1.39 ea.

Colored Percale Skirts at 69c ea.

These are bargains in the full sense of the word.

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